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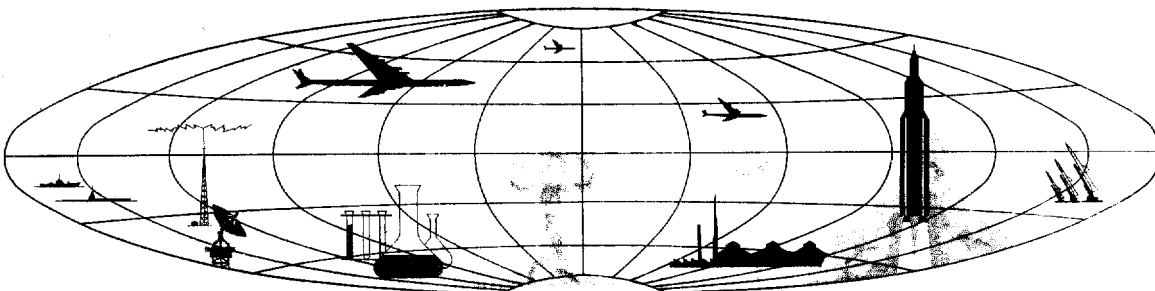
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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3601, DATED 16 MAY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
3 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D

LA COLOMA SAM SITE 2218N 08332W

SIX LAUNCH POSITIONS AND GUIDANCE AREA APPEAR TO BE OCCUPIED.
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

MATANZAS SAM SITE 2301N 08129W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

DELEITE SAM SITE 2259N 08045W

SITE CONTAINS SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND A REVETTED CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA.

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SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

AREA CONTAINS 26 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (6 CANVAS COVERED), 6 OTHER VEHICLES, AND AT LEAST 23 MISSILE CANISTERS.

25X1D

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2152N 07844W

NUMEROUS VEHICLES OBSERVED IN AREA.
HEAVY CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

MAJANA SAM SITE 2241N 08249W

SIX CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTER, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
AIRCRAFT -- 6 FAGOT/FRESCO.

25X1D

ANTONIO MACEDO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE LIAISON-TYPE AND ONE POSSIBLE LIAISON-TYPE.

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CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD 2307N 08117W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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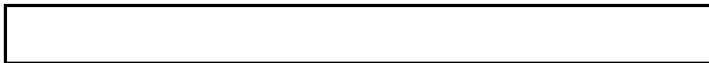


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SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 36 FISHBED, 2 FARMER, 19 FAGOT/FRESCO,
AND ONE HOUND. THE FOLLOWING ARE CONSIDERED
DERELICTS -- 11 B-26, 3 T-6, AND 6 UNIDENTIFIED
SINGLE-ENGINE AIRCRAFT.

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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2206N 08409W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

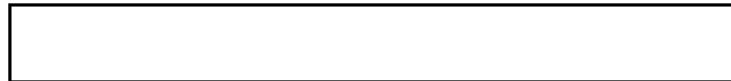
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JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 BRITANNIA, ONE COOT, 2 C-47, 5 C-54,
3 CRATE, ONE LODESTAR, 4 LIAISON/TRAINER,
3 CONSTELLATION, AND 4 C-46.

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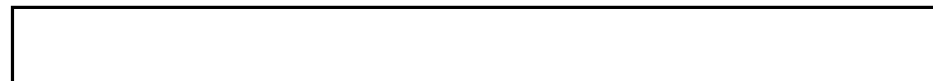


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CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE PBY, 3 CRATE, 3 C-47, ONE
FAGOT/FRESCO, 10 COLT, AND 37 LIAISON/TRAINER.

25X1D



MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.
AT THE ENE END OF THE RUNWAY THERE ARE 31 CARGO
TRUCKS, 6 VAN TRUCKS, 26 MISCELLANEOUS VEHICLES, ONE
LARGE AND ONE MEDIUM TENT. ALSO OBSERVED IN THE AREA
ARE 28 VEHICLES, 2 LARGE, 2 MEDIUM, AND 2 SMALL TENTS.
AN OCCUPIED 6-GUN AAA SITE IS LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF
THE RUNWAY NEAR THE WSW END. FOURTEEN VEHICLES ALSO
OBSERVED IN THE AREA.
HEADQUARTERS/BARRACKS AREA CONTAINS 19 BUILDINGS, 6
LARGE, 6 MEDIUM, AND ONE SMALL TENT. ELEVEN VEHICLES

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OBSERVED IN THE AREA.

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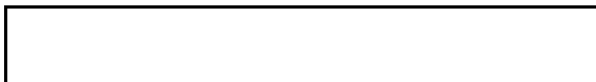


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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
AIRCRAFT -- 61 HOUND (ONE WITHOUT ROTORS), 4 HARE,
2 BELL HELICOPTER, AND ONE CRATE.

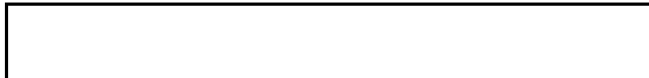
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MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

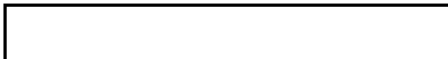
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BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 LIAISON-TYPE.

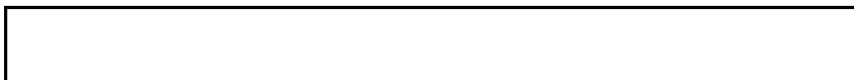
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PINAR DEL RIO AIRFIELD 2225N 08341W

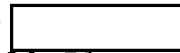
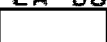
AIRCRAFT -- ONE LIAISON-TYPE.

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--PORTS--

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 11 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, 2 PC, 2 PF (ONE BEING
TOWED OUT OF PORT), AND 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AT THE CITY
PIER (HATCHES OPEN, BOOMS ACTIVE).
ONE LARGE TRACTOR-TRAILER, 6 VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT, AND
8 RAIL CARS OBSERVED ON THE PIER.
LA BOCA PIER CONTAINS 12 CRATES (APPROXIMATELY 
 2 LARGE TRACTOR-TRAILERS, AND 4 OTHER VEHICLES.

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PUNTA ALEGRE PORT 2223N 07847W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER, ONE PF, ONE PC,
AND 3 PT.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER.
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER AND ONE TANKER.
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- 3 FREIGHTERS AND ONE TANKER OBSERVED IN
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS (ONE WITH BOOMS ACTIVE
AND HATCHES OPEN).

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

VESSELS -- ONE TANKER.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N 08218W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 35 LARGE FREIGHTERS, 11 TRAWLERS, 8 COASTAL
FREIGHTERS, ONE LARGE TANKER, ONE COASTAL TANKER, ONE
KOMAR-CLASS PGMG ON MARINE RAILWAY, 2 PC, AND 6 PT.

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LA COLOMA PORT 2214N 08334W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE VESSEL.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2301N 08225W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
APPROXIMATELY 25 VEHICLES/VANS OBSERVED.

25X1D

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

PINAR DEL RIO, MILITARY CAMP 2223N 08342W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
FORTY-FIVE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NUMEROUS VEHICLES WITH PROBABLE FA PIECES IN TOW.
FOLIAGE AND SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS,
VEHICLES, OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.
FOLIAGE AND SHADOW PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
APPROXIMATELY 25 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08311W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
TWELVE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08251W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
THREE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

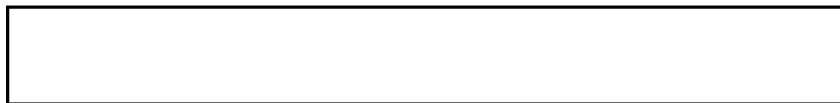
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
HAZE AND SCATTERED CLOUDS PRECLUDE DETAILED
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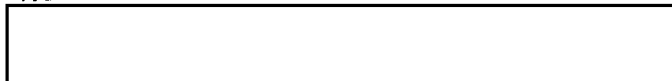


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ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07600W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN VISIBLE AREAS.

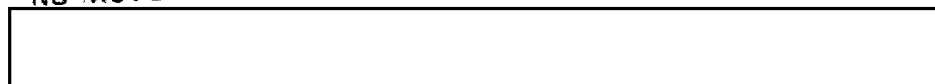
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HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

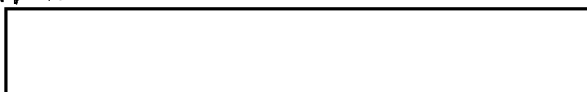
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SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W

NO APPARENT CHANGE

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SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

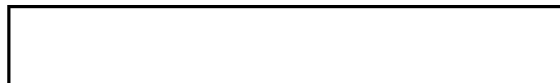
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TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

NO APPARENT CHANGE



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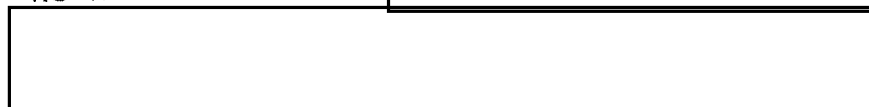
LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08124W

NO APPARENT CHANGE

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VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, MILITARY CAMP 2054N 07655W

NO ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

15 TANKS/SP GUNS, 26 LOWBOY TRAILERS AND APPROXIMATELY
300 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1A

25X1D

EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

INSTALLATION CONTAINS 21 CARGO TRUCKS, 28 OTHER
VEHICLES, 43 FA PIECES, 22 LARGE AND 15 MEDIUM TENTS
(NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), AND NUMEROUS TRENCHES
AND WEAPONS POSITIONS.

25X1A

25X1D

NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

AT LEAST 14 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 8 VEHICLES OBSERVED.
FOLIAGE AND SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

VARADERO LANDING BEACH 2308N 08118W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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25X1D

MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2027N 07531W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE

25X1D

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NUMEROUS VEHICLES ON CENTER LOOP ROAD.

25X1A

25X1D

MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
FORTY-ONE VEHICLES OBSERVED IN HEADQUARTERS AREA.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE
SINCE LAST COVERAGE---

25X1A

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3	2242N 08308W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1	2257N 08239W
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1	2243N 08001W
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2	2239N 07951W
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4	2246N 08258W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2	2257N 08236W
MARIEL SAM SITE	2300N 08249W
BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE	2257N 08317W
SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE	2251N 08005W
CHAPARRA SAM SITE	2107N 07626W
JIGUANI SAM SITE	2021N 07620W
MANATI SAM SITE	2113N 07702W
SENADO SAM SITE	2136N 07733W
CHAMBAS SAM SITE	2213N 07853W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE	1959N 07550W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2003N 07553W
DELEITE ALTERNATE SAM SITE	2301N 08044W
PINAR DEL RIO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2221N 08339W
MALDONADO SAM SITE	2012N 07528W
HOLGUIN SAM SITE	2052N 07627W
MANAGUA SAM SITE	2259N 08215W
LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2156N 08019W
GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2300N 08250W

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LOS CANOS AIRFIELD	2004N 07509W
JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD	2209N 08025W
MADRUGA, POL STORAGE	2256N 08149W
MESTANZA, EXPLOSIVE STORAGE SITE	2228N 08347W
LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP	2301N 08213W
HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2301N 08218W
SPECIAL AREA ALPHA	2258N 08227W
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL	2301N 08246W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE	2250N 08233W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED	2254N 08231W
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR	2300N 08234W
SPECIAL AREA TANGO	2258N 08244W
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH	1957N 07542W
PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH	1958N 07457W
MATANZAS LANDING BEACH	2301N 08126W
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH	2202N 08036W
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH	1957N 07557W
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH	2202N 08025W

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LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION	2301N 08243W
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MATANZAS CITY, LA CUMBRE ALTA	2304N 08133W
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25X1D

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

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REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
SANTA LUCIA SAM SITE	2241N 08355W
SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD SAM SITE	2205N 08409W
HAVANA SAM SITE	2309N 08213W
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE	2202N 08024W
SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE	2147N 07929W
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE	2142N 07850W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2104N 07700W
SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2309N 08156W
CAMPO FLORIDO CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2306N 08211W
CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD	2125N 07751W
PRESTON AIRFIELD	2044N 07539W
TRINIDAD AIRFIELD	2147N 07959W
BANES PORT	2055N 07542W
MANZANILLO PORT	2021N 07707W
SANTA LUCIA PORT	2240N 08358W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA	2307N 08211W

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CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP
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BAJURAYABO AREA MILITARY CAMP
GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA
LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP
GUANE, MILITARY CAMP
TARARA LANDING BEACH
NICARO LANDING BEACH

2126N 07753W
2311N 08203W
2307N 08206W
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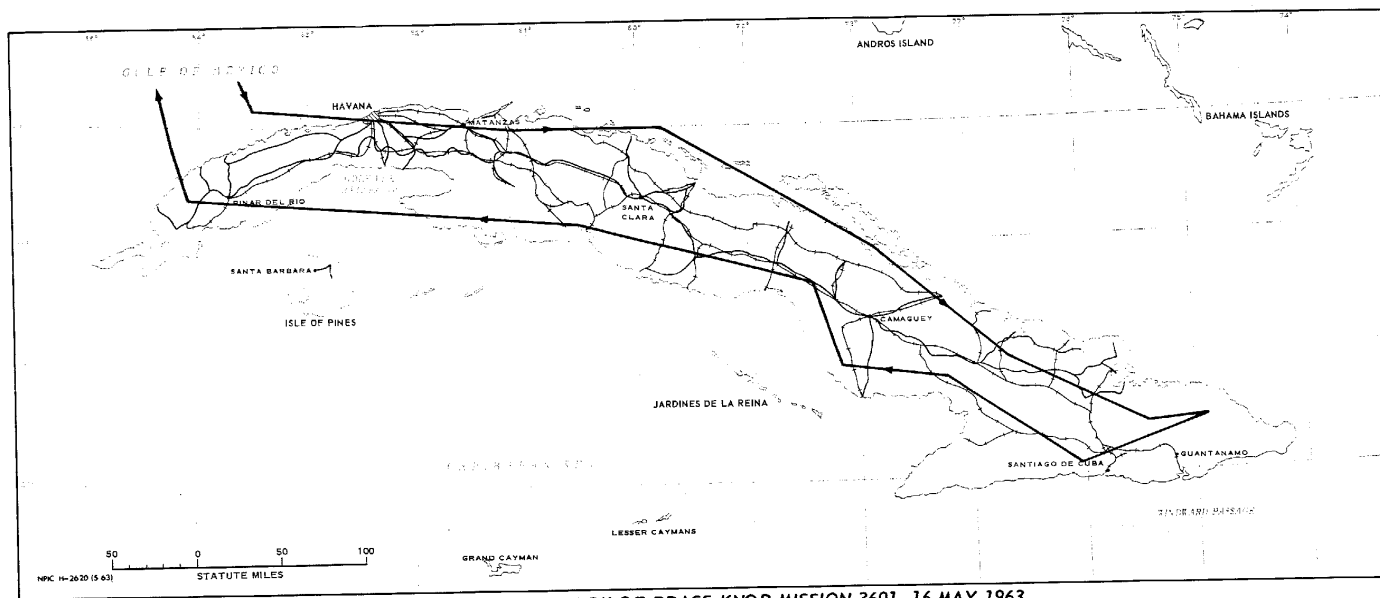
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